

Rooney Ranch, Eileen Rooney House
Rooney Road and West Alameda Parkway
Morrison Vicinity
Jefferson County
Colorado

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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

ROONEY RANCH, EILEEN ROONEY HOUSE

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Location:

Junction of Rooney Road and West Alameda Parkway,
Morrison vicinity, Jefferson County, Colorado

UTM Coordinates, Morrison, Colorado Quad:

- A. 13/483860 4393200
- B. 13/483840 4392250
- C. 13/483040 4392250
- D. 13/483040 4393200

Date of Construction:

1955.

Present Owner:

Alexander Rooney
Otis Alex Rooney
Eileen Louis Rooney
George R. and Kathryn Rooney
Lynda P. Simmons
James P. Simmons
James Addison and Virginia Dawn Vesey
Security Realty
Jefferson County Open Space Department

Present Use:

Residence.

Significance:

Rooney Ranch, one of the oldest ranches in Jefferson County, Colorado, is significant for its local historical associations and for the high quality of masonry construction exhibited in its principal structures.

The significance of the ranch to the historical and architectural development of Jefferson County was recognized in 1975 when the site was listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Rooney Ranch was designated a Jefferson County Landmark the following year.

Historian:

Kenneth M. Gambrill
Kathryn M Kuranda
Colorado Department of Highways
August, 1983

The Eileen Rooney House is a contemporary, one-story dwelling constructed in 1955 by Albert Rooney. The building is sited into a hill resulting in a two-story east elevation. This elevation originally included a garage which has been infilled by a pedestrian door and window unit. The structure is faced in uncoursed rubble sandstone and coursed flagstone and rises to a gable roof. Simple board cornices and gable returns accent the building's eave line. A straight stack interior-end chimney faced in sandstone is located on the south elevation. Principal access to the dwelling is gained through the first bay (south) of the east facade.